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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE-SABAH DEVELOPMENTS

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1. PHILIPPINE FOREIGN SECRETARY CARLOS ROMULO, IN KUALA LUMPUR FOR THE ASEAN FOREIGN MINISTERS MEETING, TOLD REPORTERS AUG. 1 THAT IMELDA MARCOS WOULD FLY TO KOTA KINABALU AUG. 9 TO JOIN PRESIDENT MARCOS ON HIS OFFICIAL VISIT TO SABAH. ROMULO ALSO REPORTEDLY INDICATED THAT DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER MAHATHIR WILL ACCOMPANY MARCOS ON HIS TRIP TO SABAH. MALAYSIAN FOREIGN MINISTER TENGKU RITHAUDDEEN MADE IT CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT MARCOS WOULD VISIT SABAH AT THE INVITATION OF SABAH CHIEF MINISTER HARRIS SALLEH. PRESS REPORTS INDICATED THAT THE MARCOSES WOULD SPEND ABOUT TEN HOURS IN SABAH AND WOULD HAVE INFORMAL DISCUSSIONS WITH HARRIS AND OTHER LEADERS.

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2. PRESS REPORTS ALSO QUOTED ROMULO AS SAYING THAT NO DECISION WOULD BE MADE ON DROPPING THE GOP CLAIM TO SABAH UNTIL AFTER MARCOS FINISHES TESTING PUBLIC OPINION ON THE ISSUE IN THE PHILIPPINES. ROMULO APPARENTLY DID NOTE, HOWEVER, THAT THE FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE ISSUE WAS OVERWHELMINGLY IN FAVOR OF DROPPING THE CLAIM "IN THE INTEREST OF ASEAN." ROMULO

ADDED THAT WHATEVER DECISION MARCOS MADE WOULD BE WITHIN
THE FRAMEWORK OF THE PHILIPPINES' CONSTITUTION.

3. COMMENT. RITHAUDDEEN'S "CLARIFICATION" OF WHO INVITED MARCOS
TO SABAH MAY REFLECT THE GOM'S SENSITIVITY TO THE CRITICISM
BY FORMER PRIME MINISTER TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN THAT HARRIS OVER-
REACHED THE AUTHORITY OF A CHIEF MINISTER IN HIS TRIP TO
MAILA AND HIS NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE GOP (REFTEL).
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